in composition, improvements in speed, timings, design of coaches, provision of additional on-board facilities and improvements in passenger amenities at stations are continuously made. Wide publicity through different media is also made to improve the patronization. Steps to improve patronization of trains are a continuous process.

Railway Archives

4765. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Railway Archives, compressing 150 years of history of Indian Railway, in four rooms, has been set up of late; and

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Collection of Railway documents such as books, reports, files, photographs, slides, pamphlets, magazines, drawings pertaining to historical aspects of Railways and making these available for reference to researchers and the visitors at the National Rail Museum.

Development of Diesel Rail Engine

4766. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have developed a 4000—hp diesel engine built in India under license from General Motors;

(b) if so, whether this new engine would be capable of pulling passenger trains at 160 km. per hour;

(c) whether these engine were earlier imported in 1999;

(d) if so, the cost of the imported engine; and

(e) the cost of the engine that has been developed in India?